

MADE A RECORD TRIAL TRIP

The Southern's Special Attained a Speed of 74 Miles an Hour.

LUNCH AT THE DESOTO HOTEL.

The Link Will Enable the Southern to Put Its Fast Florida Trains From Washington to Savannah Over Its Own Lines.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 8.—Special.—The trip of the inspection party of Southern Railway officials and their guards over the new line from Columbia to Perry was most satisfactory.

This cut-off line of 21 miles was never used before by a passenger train, and some idea of its efficient construction may be gathered from the fact that the special train of six private cars which aggregates the weight of at least nine Pullmans ran over this new line at record-breaking speed.

The hand on the dial of the speed indicator was watched by everybody as the train struck the new piece of track. Steadily it crept up to forty-nine miles an hour, and then to fifty-five miles. Then it moved on to sixty-two miles, while the track spun out behind like a yellow ribbon.

When the hand on the dial touched 51 miles an hour, and stood there quivering, congratulations were tendered on all sides to Mr. Wells, the engineer in charge, and third vice-president, F. G. Cannon, for a record trial trip had been made.

The entire run to Savannah was made at an evidently encouraging rate.

LUNCH SERVED.

On arriving at the depot the party was met and taken for a drive through the city. A superb lunch was served at the Desoto Hotel, to which many of the prominent citizens of Savannah were invited.

Major W. H. Myers welcomed the railroads on behalf of the city.

Among those who enjoyed the advantages of Savannah and the great prospects of the South were Mr. W. A. Hemphill, of the Atlanta Constitution, and General W. W. Gordon. Mr. H. M. Vreeland, president of the Metropolitan Street Railway, of New York City, and Mr. J. H. Smith, president of the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce, also made very happy speeches.

On all sides it was felt that the new facilities would help the marvellously expanding cotton trade of the South, and especially the trade in whalebone and Savannah was most interested.

The new line will also enable the South to put its fast Florida trains from Washington to Savannah over its own lines.

The party left Savannah at 5:00 P. M., returning direct to Washington.

SHOT IN THE FACE.

Young Man Peppered With a Load of Birdshot.

H. Calvin Farmer, of this city, had his face, neck, arms and hands mired with No. 7 birdshot while hunting with a party in Fluvanna county yesterday. His friend, Frank Montgomery, of Richmond, discharged the load at a distance of twenty feet. Farmer may lose the sight of an eye. He has, with both eyes and both palms bandaged, at the home of his father, H. N. Farmer, No. 66 south Fine street.

The two men, in company with several companions, left here Thursday night for a day's hunt in Fluvanna. Rising at daybreak yesterday morning, the party went into the field.

It was a quarter past eleven o'clock when the accident happened. Farmer and Montgomery were walking on opposite sides of a small ridge. Each could see the other's head. A rabbit darted up and ran along the ridge. Montgomery fired the first barrel of his gun ineffectually. The second report came when he gave the signal to shoot again, evidently in time with the heads of the two men. Farmer fell to the ground. Blood flowed from a score of tiny wounds in his face and neck. One shot lodged in his left eye. When he was struck he was in the act of raising his gun. His hands and arms were elevated nearly to the plane of his head, and they were peppered with shot.

The Auditing Skating Rink is one of the popular resorts, and large crowds of pleasure-seekers go out every night, either to engage in the exhilarating sport or to learn the trick of skating. Music is furnished nightly.

"A Gentle Wind of Western Birth"

Tells no sweeter story to humanity than the announcement that the health-giver and health-bringer, Hood's Sarsaparilla, tells of the birth of an era of good health. It is the one reliable specific for the cure of all blood, stomach and liver troubles.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Never Disappoints.

State Military Board. He is the ranking volunteer officer of the State, and becomes a member of the board by virtue of that fact.

LEE CAMP.

Photograph of Major General William Smith Received by the Adjutant.

E. Lee Camp No. 1, C. V. held their regular meeting last night, Commander A. C. Peay in the chair.

Letter was received from Mr. Dahney J. Carr, corresponding secretary Grand Division United Daughters of Confederacy of Virginia, thanking the Camp for the favor shown by the Camp to the U. D. C., during the unveiling of the monument of the Daughters of the Confederacy on November 8th. It was stated that the oil portrait of General Bradley T. Johnson would be presented to the Camp next Friday night and that General W. H. Hampton, of South Carolina, would make a presentation speech.

The camp contained a considerable amount of routine business.

The Adjutant today received from Colonel Thomas Smith, of Warrenton, Va., a photograph of his distinguished father Major-General William Smith, who was twice Governor of Virginia, in uniform, and was directed to have an oil portrait painted which will be presented to the Camp. The order has been given to Mr. John P. Walker, who will proceed at once to execute the work.

AMUSEMENTS.

"His Father's Boy" at the Academy.

Vanderbilt at the Bijou.

Academy—Roland Reed, matinee and night.

Drama—The Westons and other high-class specialties.

Auditorium—Skating Rink.

Roland Reed and his splendid company of players entertained a large and fashionable audience at the Academy of Music, night, with a very funny play entitled "His Father's Boy."

As William Penny, the erratic husband, who worked his way on his wife in order to get a stipulated sum of money from her each month, Mr. Reed was very funny, and the troubles that he got himself into thereby caused a large amount of merriment in the audience for days to come.

Each member of the cast filled the parts they undertook in the most approved fashion, and the company can be said to be one of the best that has been seen here this season.

"His Father's Boy" will be given at the matinees to-day, and to-night "Lend Me Your Wife" will be the bill.

A matinee and night performance will be given at the Bijou to-day, and the engagement of the performers comprising the bill this week will be the appearance of High Stanton and Miss Florence Modesta have made a splendid impression with the society sketch. Ed. Reed, Benji, and Eddie are splendid dancers. The entire bill promises to be the usual night-entertainment of new note.

The Auditorium Skating Rink is one of the popular resorts, and large crowds of pleasure-seekers go out every night, either to engage in the exhilarating sport or to learn the trick of skating. Music is furnished nightly.

UNION SEMINARY.

Monthly Meeting of the Society of Missionary Inquiry.

Last Sunday evening the Society of Missionary Inquiry of the Union Theological Seminary held its regular monthly meeting. Mr. J. E. Brown and Dr. T. C. Johnson were the leaders. Sister, The Church of the Only Ordained Missionary.

Mr. Brown traced the history of the subject, and Dr. Johnson, with his usual lucidness and force, proved the proposition.

There was rather a novel entertainment given by four of the students last Tuesday evening. The students were the recipients of a Thanksgiving box. Thinking that their enjoyment would be enhanced by having their friends with them, they invited the members of the community to partake of the contents of the suite of rooms occupied by one of the gentlemen.

Mrs. George T. Pease, Mrs. Mary Peabody, Wilson McMillen and Dr. T. C. Johnson, the box and the entire occupants were enjoyed by all.

The evening passed on quite merrily. The brick walk was as high as the top of the windows. The arches for the doors were being placed. But a short time after the roof was put in its position, both students and faculty were ejected.

The sad news of the death of Dr. John H. Nichols reached us yesterday. She had been an invalid for some time. He left Thursday for his home in West Virginia, where the funeral will take place to-day.

Sweet Charity.

Manager Wells, appreciating the patronage of the Richmond public to the Bijou, has arranged a Christmas donation to the poor of the city. The entire receipts of the theatre for the performance next Friday night to the benefit of the city.

The Relief Association was called on by Mr. Wells to take charge of the fund, and the association will be turned over to him.

An effort will be made by Mr. Wells and his staff to make the receipts Friday night a record breaker.

Crescent City Races.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 8.—Weather. Cloudy, track fast. Summary:

First race—seven furlongs—The Slugger O to I and 2 to 3 first, Debris (8 to 9 and 10 to second, San Durango (6 to 1) third, Time, 1:07.

Third race—five and a half furlongs—Feuer (4 to 5 and 6 to 5) first, Alex (2 to 3) second, Gold Ore (2 to 2) third, Time, 1:07.

Fourth race—half-mile—Six and a half furlongs—Miss Saice (4 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Third race—five and a half furlongs—Feuer (4 to 5 and 6 to 5) first, Alex (2 to 3) second, Gold Ore (2 to 2) third, Time, 1:07.

Fifth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Sixth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Seventh race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Eight race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Ninth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Tenth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Eleventh race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twelfth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Thirteenth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Fourteenth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Fifteenth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Sixteenth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Seventeenth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Eighteenth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Nineteenth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-one race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-second race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-third race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-fourth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-fifth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-sixth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-seventh race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-eighth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Twenty-ninth race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Thirty race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Thirty-one race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Thirty-two race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Thirty-three race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Put Custer (2 to 1 and 6 to 5) first, Dolly Wolfert (3 to 2 and 6 to 5) second, Albie (5 to 4 and 6 to 5) third, Queen Saice (2 to 3) fourth, Time, 1:06.

Thirty-four race—one and